

MINUTES OF MEETING
CITY OF DANIA BEACH
COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT AGENCY
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2011 – 6:00 P.M.

1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Chairman Flury called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Chairman:	Patricia A. Flury	
Vice-Chairman:	Bobbie H. Grace	
Board Members:	Anne Castro	<i>Arrived at 6:12 p.m.</i>
	Walter Duke	
	C. K. "Mac" McElyea	
CRA Executive Director:	Jeremy Earle	
City Attorney:	Thomas Ansbro	
CRA Secretary:	Louise Stilson	

2. CRA Updates

CRA Director Earle introduced Shirley Santiago and advised that she is with Broward County and also our CRA Construction Project Manager. He noted that Ms. Santiago's participation is instrumental for current and future CRA construction projects.

Shirley Santiago provided an update on the CRA projects. She noted that the Federal Highway (US1) landscape project is underway. However, we have some unforeseen conditions with water and electric lines that are not located as indicated on the plans. Ms. Santiago advised that staff has come up with some alternatives and she does not think the completion date of January 4, 2012 will change.

Director Earle clarified that they found lines that were unknown to anyone. He further advised that they are getting pricing from IBI Group for Phase 2 of the project, and added that all these new discoveries need to be incorporated into the cost of the project. Director Earle indicated that he is hoping to bid the project by the middle of this month.

Ms. Santiago noted that the Sun Garden Isles project is currently out to bid; hopefully we will receive several proposals for this project on October 14.

Ms. Santiago noted that we did not receive any bids for the College Gardens and Dania Beach Heights projects. She advised that she searched the Broward County Purchasing Division Website and contacted six pre-approved contractors, resulting in one bid received. Ms. Santiago said they also asked Straightline Engineering (Oasis project), to submit a bid, and they are

currently comparing the two proposals. She indicated they expect to have a final decision by the end of this week.

Board Member Castro arrived at 6:12 p.m.

Chairman Flury questioned why we need Shirley Santiago and who pays her salary.

Director Earle explained Shirley Santiago has been working part-time with the CRA since the construction of the Parking Garage. He noted her expertise with construction projects is greatly needed with some of these projects.

3. Presentations

Director Earle presented a PowerPoint update on the history of the CRA, which is attached to and incorporated into these minutes. He noted that we need to update our Redevelopment Plan this year, as required by Florida Statutes.

Vice-Chairman Grace thanked Director Earle and Community Development Director Daniels for their work on the Redevelopment Plan. She asked if we could install Bus Shelters. Vice-Chairman Grace further commented that the new bus benches are very low and not very comfortable for senior citizens.

Director Earle noted that the current bus benches are temporary. He advised that Broward County is in the permitting process for the permanent bus benches and shelters.

Chairman Flury questioned if we were pursuing any grants.

Director Earle noted they will be more aggressive this year.

Director Earle advised that Craig Urbine, Stirling Road Design District, requested permission to use the City Logo to promote the "Tribute to Veterans Military Makeover Event".

Board Member Castro motioned to approve the use of the City and CRA Logos for the Tribute to Veterans Military Makeover Event; seconded by Vice-Chairman Grace. The motion carried unanimously.

4. Consent Agenda

Items removed from Consent Agenda: #4.4

4.1 Minutes

Approve minutes of September 13, 2011 Special CRA Board Meeting
Approve minutes of September 26, 2011 Special CRA Board Meeting

4.2 Travel Requests

Request for Chairman Patricia Flury to attend the Florida Redevelopment Association 2011 Conference in Orlando, FL (October 20-21, 2011)

Request for Vice-Chairman Bobbie Grace to attend the Florida Redevelopment Association 2011 Conference in Orlando, FL (October 19-21, 2011)

Request for Jeremy Earle to attend the Florida Redevelopment Association 2011 Conference in Orlando, FL (October 19-21, 2011)

Request for Ana Zeinieh to attend the Florida Redevelopment Association 2011 Conference in Orlando, FL (October 19-21, 2011)
(Estimated cost \$3,640.79 - Budget \$4,000.00)

4.3 Merchant Assistance Program for Jaxson's Ice Cream

Board Member Castro motioned to approve the Consent Agenda, with the exception of Item #4.4; seconded by Board Member Duke. The motion carried on the following 5-0 Roll Call vote:

Board Member Castro	Yes	Vice-Chairman Grace	Yes
Board Member Duke	Yes	Chairman Flury	Yes
Board Member McElyea	Yes		

4.4 CRA Façade Incentive Program

Ana Zeinieh, Economic Development Director, explained the new process based on the Board's request to expand the Façade Incentive Program to the entire CRA District. She noted that they have added a scoring sheet to include extra points which would help in evaluating proposals if there are multiple applicants.

The Board agreed to have staff look at the Merchant Assistance Program to consider opening the Program to all businesses within the CRA.

Board Member Castro remarked that we should not be leaving any budgeted funds on the table and we should reinvest in our appearance. She commented that the homeowners at Rio Vista Plaza and surrounding areas have done a serious façade job to their businesses, and we should find out what their City made them do because the improvements are noticeable.

Board Member Duke agreed with Board Member Castro.

Board Member Castro motioned to approve the CRA Façade Incentive Program; seconded by Vice-Chairman Grace. The motion carried on the following 5-0 Roll Call vote:

Board Member Castro Yes
Board Member Duke Yes
Board Member McElyea Yes

Vice-Chairman Grace Yes
Chairman Flury Yes

5. Proposals and Bids

There were no proposals on this agenda.

6. Discussion and Possible Action

There were no discussion items on this agenda.

Board Member Castro noted we need a Construction Project Manager; she thought Shirley Santiago could also help with City projects.

City Attorney Ansbro advised that Attorney Debbie Orshefsky, Greenberg Traurig, who represents Dania Entertainment Center, told him that Brenda Chalifour is working with the Jai Alai opponents, and bringing a lawsuit against the City.

7. Adjournment

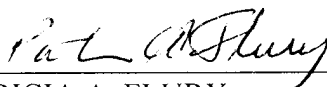
Chairman Flury adjourned the meeting at 6:45 p.m.

ATTEST:

COMMUNITY REDEVELOPMENT
AGENCY



LOUISE STILSON, CMC
CRA SECRETARY



PATRICIA A. FLURY
CHAIRMAN – CRA

Approved: November 8, 2011

